*267, SHRI AHMED MOHMED BH AI PATEI. :Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to stale :

(a) whether Central Govenunent have decided to improve the services of telephones. post and telegraphs in the State of Gujarat:

fb) if so, whether the revenue earned by Central Government from the State during 1991-92 and 1992-93 has been higher in comparison to other States;

(c) f so how much amount was spent on these services during the above period in the Slate;

(d) to what extent the posts telegraphs and Telephone services will be improved during 1993-94; and

(e) whether al! the villageswill be provided

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICJATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM) ; TELECOMMU-NICATIONS :

(a) Yes Sir.

(b) The comparative figures in respect of revenue earned fer all the States are given in Statement I, II, III *&* IV. ('See below)

(c) The amount spent on Telecom. services n Ciujarat for operation and Maintenance is Rs. 107.82 crores for 1991-92 and Rs. 130.22 crores for 1992-93.

(d) During 1993-94, it is proposed to provide 81000 new telephotie connections and increase the capacity by 126000 lines. 4500 Gram Panchayat villages are proposed to be provided with telephone facilities.

fe) As per the policy of the department, all Grampanchayat villages are proposed to be provided with Telecom. the lities propressively during the 8th Plan. Remaining Villages wiU be covered with Telecom, facilities progressively during the 9th Plan.

POSTAL ;

'a) to fe) Measures to improve postal facilities in Gujarat are being regularly taken in terms of expanding the existing postal network, prcviding more departmental buildings, upgrading the technology cf equipments used in post and mail offices, provision of speedier delivery of mails through the Speed 'Post network etc. In 1991-92 and 1992-93. the Circle earned revenue of Rs. 58.39 crores and Rs. 66.51 crores respectively. The amount incurred in tunning the services during the same period came to Rs. 89,29 crores and Rs. 100.32 crores respectively.

villages in Gujarat will be prc

While the postal revenues in the State of Gujarat for the year 1991-92 and 92-97 ar? higher than some of other Slates, no real compar"son can be made hec;juse the revenue depends on the area of the State. its popilation, the state of tidiistrial and agricultural development, the number of post offices and the nature of postal business in that State.

In 1993-94, it is targetted to open 28 post offices of Which 13 have already been opened. There are 5183 gram pan-chavats in Gujarat which do not have any post offices at present. In keeping with Government's policy of giving prio-rity for providing post offices in Gram Panchayat areas, where no such fac-lity exists, these areas will be progressively ci-vered, subject te availability of resources, allocation of target by the Planning Commission, and satisfaction of norms

As part of the cvciall development of services in the Department of Posts, 16 PC based multi-purpose counter machines were installed in Gujarat in 1991-92.

Another 125 such rnachines are planned to be installed during the period 31-3-92 to 31-3-94.

For the year 1992-93. II departmental buildings were completed as part of the programme to provide better working conditions. Construction of 53 departmental buildings is in progress.

Under a scheme to transmit money orders through satellhte 3 stations in Gujarat are planned to be covered during the current Five Year Plan.

Statement-T

Stattment showing Circle-wise Revenue Receipts during 1991-92 & 1992-93

(Rupees in Crores)

Sl. No.	Name of Circle	1991-92	1992-93
1.	Andhra Pradesh	305.72	403.95
2.	Assam	35.74	50.71
3.	Bihar	85.50	116.11
4.	Gujarat	372.47	455.83 Highest
5.	Haryana	67.88	93.45
6.	Himachal Pradesh	18.34	22.29
7.	J&K	17.67	23.11
8.	Karnataka	316.98	396.48
9.	Kerala	169.65	249.20
10.	M.P.	163.66	213.95
11.	Maharashtra	319.13	402.43
12.	N.E.	22.09	25.80
13.	Orissa	52.51	60.64
14.	Punjab	172.30	235.50
15.	Rajasthan	134.07	184.11
16.	Tamilnadu	237.56	301.68
17.	U.P.	227.55	304.11
18.	W.B.	44.07	48.97

Statement-II

Average revenue per direct Exchange Line in a Month

(In Rs.)

Sl. No.	Unit	Actual 1992-93	1991-92
	Metro Districts/MTNL		
1.	Bombay	1105	915
2.	Calcutta	838	723

1	2	3	4
3.	Delhi	1039	899
4.	Madras	1240	1085
Telecom Circles			
1.	Andhra Pradesh	788	727
2.	Assam	876	772
3.	Bihar	732	636
4.	Gujarat	696	636
5.	Haryana	562	515
6.	Himachal Pradesh	341	391
7.	Jammu & Kashmir	565	498
8.	Karnataka	789	748 Highest
9.	Kerala	570	501
10.	Madhya Pradesh	556	593
11.	Maharashtra	739	685
12.	North East	691	636
13.	Orissa	620	578
14.	Punjab	767	684
15.	Rajasthan	683	634
16.	Tamil Nadu	714	644
17.	Uttar Pradesh	630	565
18.	West Bengal	496	539

Statement-III

Average Revenue per Telex Line in a Month

(In Rs.)

Sl. No.	Unit	1992-93	1991-92
1	2	3	4
Metro Districts/MTNL			
1.	Bombay	3455	3967
2.	Calcutta	2787	2917
3.	Delhi	2997	3683
4.	Madras	3990	4065

1	2	3	4
	Telecom Circles :		
1.	Andhra Pradesh	3199	3204
2.	Assam	1366	932
3.	Bihar	1689	705
4.	Gujarat	2190	2293
5.	Haryana	1656	1617
6.	Himachal Pradesh	1256	2180
7.	Jammu and Kashmir	2021	1204
8.	Karnataka	3509	3596
9.	Kerala	2973	2547
10.	Madhya Pradesh	1806	1884
11.	Maharashtra	2228	2479
12.	North East	1501	1555
13.	Orissa	2335	2419
14.	Punjab	2127	2287
15.	Rajasthan	2000	N.A.
16.	Tamil Nadu	2773	2922
17.	Uttar Pradesh	1497	1917
18.	West Bengal	2524	2202

Statement-IV

Average Revenue per Telegram Booked

(In Rs.)

Sl. No.	Unit	1992-93	1991-92
1	2	3	4
	Telecommunication Circles:		
1.	Andhra Pradesh	12.48	8.05
2.	Assam	18.15	26.47
3.	Bihar	21.02	24.75
4.	Delhi Telegraph	25.22	21.72
5.	Gujarat	18.58	15.13
6.	Haryana	11.08	10.90
7.	Himachal Pradesh	10.23	6.78
8.	Jammu & Kashmir	10.12	10.28
9.	Karnataka	12.77	12.63

1	2	3	4
10.	Kerala	16.47	15.82
11.	Madhya Pradesh	20.10	16.08
12.	Maharashtra	17.05	18.32
13.	North East	24.88	24.92
14.	Orissa	16.43	14.55
15.	Punjab	17.68	17.33
16.	Rajasthan	21.45	17.43
17.	Tamil Nadu	6.40	7.20
18.	Uttar Pradesh	9.47	6.07
19.	West Bengal	19.77	25.73

REPEATING SERIALS ARE FILMS BY DOORDARSHAN

*268. SHRI S. S. AHLUWAUA : Wll the Minister of INFORMATION and BROADCASIING be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that Door-darshan has been repeating telecast of serials and feature films on almost all its channels;

(b) what are the details of TV serials and feature films which have been repeated duly mdicatiig the number of times these were shown by Doordarshan;

(c) the reabons for repeating programmes; and

(d) the steps taken by Government to ensure telecasting of fresh and good quality programmes by Doordarshan ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO) : (a) Yes, Sir. Retelecast of serials and other programmes is an established practice followed by television networks all over the world.

(b) Such details are not maintained centrally in a compiled form.

(c) Retelecast of serials and other progiammes is resorted to for a number tf reasons viz. popuiaiity of programme, specific requirement on special occasion and other exigencies.

(d) Doordarshan has prioritised 118 new serials for telecast on the primary channel for meeting its programme requirements. The procedure for selection of films has also been changed to bring about an improvement in the quality] vintage of the films.

EXPENDITURE ON ADVERTISE-MENTS

"269- SHRI MOHAMMED AFZAL ALIAS MEEM AFZAL : Will the Minsiter of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state :

(a) what is the amount spent by the Mahanagar Telephone Nigm Ltd., Delhi on advertisements during the yean 1990-91, 1991-92 and 1992-93; and

(b) what is the value of advertisements given to the newspapers, language-wise during the above period ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM) : (a) Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Ltd. Delhi Unit spent the following amount on advertisement during the last three years.